

# CMS Is Serious About Working With Stakeholders



Successfully rebalancing a State's long-term care system to favor home and community-based services cannot be done without the engagement of the institutional providers in the State. Transitioning individuals out of institutions requires active institutional cooperation in screening, planning and conducting needs assessments. Additionally, true rebalancing of the systems will involve discussions about bed closure and conversion as well as other rebalancing strategies. State proposals must include a well thought through plan of engagement to maximize effectiveness. It is up to the State with input from their provider community to plan and implement opportunities under the demonstration.

#### Who Should Be At The Table:

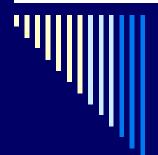


- Current and Former Facility Residents
- Legislators
- Care Giver Agencies
- HHS/Dept. Of Health Reps.
- Facility Representatives
- HUD/PHA Representatives
- Professional Advocates (Aging, Disability, Mental Health, Etc.)
- Consumer Advocates (SILC, CILs, P&A, Advocate Groups, Etc.)

### Consumers

#### MFP Solicitation

- Consumers and consumer-run organizations will have a role in the design, development, and <u>implementation</u> of the demonstration.
- Consumers and/or consumer-run organizations must participate in ways that go beyond advice giving (advisory committees).
- CMS will be looking for evidence of consumers involved in a decision making capacity.
  - MFP workgroup leadership of Lt. Governor and Disability Advocate.
  - Former facility residents can offer unique input into decision making processes.



#### Stockholder vs. Stakeholder

(Professional Advocates vs. Consumer Advocates)



- Stand to gain financially from decisions made
- Theorize how systems should work
- Paid To Be At "The Table"



- Are directly affected by decisions made
- •Experience how systems actually work
- •Should Be Supported To Be At "The Table"

#### Where To Find 'Em



- Centers for Independent Living (CILs)
- Statewide and Local Disability Advocacy Groups (People First Groups, ADAPT, On Our Own, Etc.)
- Statewide Service Provider Agencies (ARC, UCP, MS Society, Etc.)
- Developmental Disabilities & Mental Health Councils
- University Disability Offices
- NF Residents Councils
- Local Protection & Advocacy Unit

#### How To Use Em

- Operational Protocol Development Workgroup
- Transition Candidate Identification and Support To Those Being Transitioned
- MFP Program Staff
- Trainings
- Development and Implementation of Quality Process
- Guardian Mentorship
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## How Are Consumers A Part Of MFP In <u>Your</u> State?

